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<p>(54) Title: CREDIT CARD SYSTEM AND METHOD</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 10px;"> sending to a customer a limited use credit card number not yet activated </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">↓</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 10px;"> receiving acknowledgment of delivery of the limited use credit card number not yet activated </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">↓</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 10px;"> communicating between a customer and an issuer to activate the card </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">↓</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> validating the limited use credit card to have associated limited use properties </div> </div>																			
<p>(57) Abstract</p> <p>A credit card system is provided which has the added feature of providing additional limited use credit card numbers and/or cards. These numbers and/or cards can be used for a single or limited use transaction, thereby reducing the potential for fraudulent reuse of these numbers and/or cards. The credit card system finds application to "card remote" transactions such as by phone or Internet. Additionally, when a single use or limited use credit card is used for "card present" transactions, so called "skimming" fraud is eliminated. Various other features enhance the credit card system which will allow secure trade without the use of elaborate encryption techniques. Methods for limiting, distributing and using a limited use card number, controlling the validity of a limited use credit card number, conducting a limited used credit card number transaction and providing remote access devices for accessing a limited use credit card number are also provided.</p>																			